

CHANGE IN THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CUSTOMS SERVICE

MESSAGE

FROM THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A REPORT, PURSUANT TO LAW, SHOWING A CHANGE IN
THE ORGANIZATION OF THE CUSTOMS SERVICE MADE BY
EXECUTIVE ORDER SINCE THE LAST REPORT

DECEMBER 3 (calendar day, DECEMBER 4), 1924.—Read, referred to the Com-
mittee on Finance, and ordered to be printed.

To the Congress of the United States:

The sundry civil act approved August 1, 1914, contains the follow-
ing provisions, viz:

The President is authorized from time to time, as the exigencies of the service may require, to rearrange, by consolidation or otherwise, the several customs collection districts and to discontinue ports of entry by abolishing the same or establishing others in their stead: *Provided*, That the whole number of customs collection districts, ports of entry, or either of them, shall at no time be made to exceed those now established and authorized except as the same may hereafter be provided by law: *Provided further*, That hereafter the collector of customs of each customs collection district shall be officially designated by the number of the district for which he is appointed and not by the name of the port where the headquarters are situated, and the President is authorized from time to time to change the location of the headquarters in any customs collection district as the needs of the service may require: *And provided further*, That the President shall, at the beginning of each regular session, submit to Congress a statement of all acts, if any, done hereunder and the reasons therefor.

Pursuant to the requirements of the third proviso to the said provision, I have to state that the following is the only change in the organization of the customs service made by Executive order, since the last report:

By Executive order, dated October 28, 1924, Empire, Oreg., was abolished as a port of entry in customs collection district No. 29 (Oregon) and Marshfield, Oreg., was created a port of entry in the said customs collection district, with headquarters at Portland, Oreg., effective November 15, 1924.

The above change was dictated by considerations of economy and efficiency in the administration of customs and other statutes with the enforcement of which the customs service is charged, as well as the necessities and convenience of commerce generally.

CALVIN COOLIDGE.

THE WHITE HOUSE,
December 4, 1924.

